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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP, UR

SUBJECT: VISIT OF HEW SECRETARY CALIFANO

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1. IN PLANNING OVERSEAS TRIPS FOR SECRETARY CALIFANO, HEW HAS ALWAYS SENT MEMBERS OF SECRETARY'S STAFF ON AN ADVANCE VISIT. HEW BELIEVES PENDING VISIT (REFTEL) WOULD BENEFIT FROM SUCH ADVANCE PREPARATION, IF AMBASSADOR HAS NO OBJECTION.

2. IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER STAFF TRAVEL IN EUROPE, HEW IS CONSIDERING ADVANCE VISIT TO MOSCOW APPROXIMATELY MAY 10-14. TEAM WOULD INCLUDE MR. PETER BELL, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY, MR. THOMAS L. JOHNS, EXECUTIVE

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OFFICER, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, AND DR. ROBERT FISCHER, HEW/OIH. TEAM WOULD WANT TO MEET WITH EMBASSY STAFF AND MOH TO DISCUSS ANY PROPOSED VISITS TO SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS, TRAVEL WITHIN USSR, LOGISTICS, SECURITY, PRESS COVERAGE, SOCIAL EVENTS, AND VISITS TO HISTORIC/CULTURAL SITES. HEW ALSO INTERESTED IN FINALIZING WITH MOH PLANNED ANNOUNCEMENT AND/OR DOCUMENTATION OF BILATERAL COMMITMENT TO

UNDERTAKE JOINT STUDIES IN EYE DISEASE WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF HEALTH AGREEMENT.

3. HEW AWARE THAT SCICOUNS WILL BE IN WASHINGTON DURING PROPOSED TIME OF ADVANCE VISIT. ALTHOUGH IT WOULD BE IDEAL FOR SCICOUNS TO BE AVAILABLE IN MOSCOW, DOES EMBASSY VIEW THIS AS ESSENTIAL?

4. HEW REQUESTS EMBASSY VIEWS ON USEFULNESS OF ADVANCE VISIT. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST IS EMBASSY VIEW OF BENEFIT MR. JOHNS ACCOMPANYING TEAM. MR. JOHNS IS RESPONSIBLE ESPECIALLY FOR PHYSICAL SECURITY AND LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS OF SECRETARY CALIFANO AND UNCERTAIN IF SUCH MATTERS IN USSR WILL WARRANT HIS ATTENTION IN ADVANCE VISIT.

5. HEW WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY REPLY.  
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